

FIJI

SUMMARY OF CLAIMS

TYPE	DATE	SOURCE	LIMITS	NOTES
TERRITORIAL SEA	Dec 1977	Marine Spaces Act, 1977 (Act No. 18 of 1977)	12nm	See LIS No. 101 for full text of Act No. 18, as amended by Act No. 15 of 1978. Enabling legislation for designating sealanes and air routes through and over archipelagic waters and territorial seas, and for prescribing traffic separation schemes within such sealanes. Until sealanes and air routes are designated, navigation and overflight may be exercised through and over all routes normally used for international navigation and overflight.
	Oct 1978	Marine Spaces Act, 1978 (Act No. 15 of 1978)		See LIS No. 101 for full text of Act No. 18 of 1977, as amended by Act No. 15.
	Dec 1981	Marine Spaces (Archipelagic Baseline and EEZ) Order (Legal Notice No. 117 of 1981) (page 67)		Promulgated straight baseline coordinates for determining outermost limits of the archipelagic waters and innermost limits of the territorial sea of the Fiji archipelago. (See LIS No. 101 for U.S. analysis.) These coordinates were replaced by Legal Notice No. 83 of 2012.
	Dec 1981	Marine Spaces (Territorial Seas) (Rotuma and its Dependencies) Order (Legal Notice No. 118 of 1981) (page 66)		Promulgated straight baseline coordinates for the innermost limits of the territorial seas of Rotuma Island and its dependencies. (See LIS No. 101 for U.S. analysis.) These coordinates were replaced by Legal Notice No. 82 of 2012.
	Oct 2012	Marine Spaces (Territorial Seas) (Rotuma and its Dependencies) (Amendment) Order (Legal Notice No. 82 of 2012)		Amends Legal Notice No. 118 of 1981 by replacing the straight baseline coordinates for the innermost limits of the territorial seas of Rotuma Island and its dependencies.
	Oct 2012	Marine Spaces (Archipelagic Baselines and EEZ) (Amendment) Order 2012 (Legal Notice No. 83 of 2012)		Amends Legal Notice No. 117 of 1981 by replacing the straight baseline coordinates for determining outermost limits of the archipelagic waters and innermost limits of the territorial sea of Fiji archipelago, and adding normal baseline coordinates for the outermost limits of the territorial sea of Ceva-i-ra Island.

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ARCHIPELAGIC, STRAIGHT BASELINES, & HISTORIC CLAIMS	Dec 1977	Marine Spaces Act, 1977 (Act No. 18 of 1977)		See LIS No. 101 for full text of Act No. 18, as amended by Act No. 15 of 1978. Enabling legislation for designating sealanes and air routes through and over archipelagic waters and territorial seas, and for prescribing traffic separation schemes within such sealanes. Until sealanes and air routes are designated, navigation and overflight may be exercised through and over all routes normally used for international navigation and overflight.
	Oct 1978	Marine Spaces Act, 1978 (Act No. 15 of 1978)		See LIS No. 101 for full text of Act No. 18 of 1977, as amended by Act No. 15. Enabling legislation for straight and archipelagic baselines for Fiji and Rotuma archipelagoes.
	Dec 1981	Marine Spaces (Archipelagic Baseline and EEZ) Order (Legal Notice No. 117 of 1981) (page 67)		Promulgated straight baseline coordinates for determining outermost limits of the archipelagic waters and innermost limits of the territorial sea of the Fiji archipelago. (See LIS No. 101 for U.S. analysis.) These coordinates were replaced by Legal Notice No. 83 of 2012.
	Dec 1981	Marine Spaces (Territorial Seas) (Rotuma and its Dependencies) Order (Legal Notice No. 118 of 1981) (page 66)		Promulgated straight baseline coordinates for the innermost limits of the territorial seas of Rotuma Island and its dependencies. (See LIS No. 101 for U.S. analysis.) These coordinates were replaced by Legal Notice No. 82 of 2012.
	Oct 2012	Marine Spaces (Territorial Seas) (Rotuma and its Dependencies) (Amendment) Order (Legal Notice No. 82 of 2012)		Amends Legal Notice No. 118 of 1981 by deleting and replacing the straight baseline coordinates for the innermost limits of the territorial seas of Rotuma Island and its dependencies.
	Oct 2012	Marine Spaces (Archipelagic Baselines and EEZ) (Amendment) Order 2012 (Legal Notice No. 83 of 2012)		Amends Legal Notice No. 117 of 1981 by replacing the straight baseline coordinates for determining outermost limits of the archipelagic waters and innermost limits of the territorial sea of the Fiji archipelago.
CONTIGUOUS ZONE	1984	Marine Spaces Act (Amendment), 1984	24nm	
CONTINENTAL SHELF	Dec 1970	Continental Shelf Act No. 9	1958 DEF	Enabling legislation to define specific areas.
	Apr 1971	Continental Shelf Act, 1970: Designation of Area Order		Designates an area to which Act No. 9 of 1970 applies.

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CONTINENTAL SHELF, Continued	Dec 1977	Marine Spaces Act, 1977 (Act No. 18 of 1977) as amended by Act No. 15 of 1978	200nm	See LIS No. 101 for full text of Act No. 18, as amended by Act No. 15 of 1978. "All areas of seabed and the subsoil thereof contained within the exclusive economic zone of Fiji are deemed to form part of the continental shelf of Fiji for the purposes of the Continental Shelf Act, and to be subject to the provisions of that Act as if they were areas designated under the provisions of...that Act."
	Apr 2009	ECS Submission		Submitted request to the UN to extend the limits of its continental shelf beyond 200nm; amended request in April 2012. Also in April 2009, Fiji submitted preliminary information to the UN, individually and jointly with the Solomon Islands and Vanuatu. The UN CLCS has not yet made its recommendations. (Vanuatu and New Zealand protested to the UN regarding Fiji's submission.)
EEZ	Dec 1977	Marine Spaces Act, 1977 (Act No. 18 of 1977) as amended by Act No. 15 of 1978	200nm	See LIS No. 101 for full text of Act No. 18, as amended by Act No. 15 of 1978.
	Dec 1981	Marine Spaces (Archipelagic Baseline and EEZ) Order (Legal Notice No. 117 of 1981) (page 67)		Promulgated coordinates for determining outermost limits of the EEZ. (See LIS No. 101 for U.S. analysis.) The baselines for the EEZ of the Fiji archipelago are the same coordinates given in Legal Notice No. 117 for the territorial sea; these coordinates were replaced by Legal Notice No. 83 of 2012. The baselines for the EEZ of Ceva-i-ra Island is the low-water line of the reef; this was amended by Legal Notice No. 83 of 2012. The baselines for the EEZ of Rotuma Island and its dependencies are the coordinates given in Legal Notice No. 117 for the territorial sea; these coordinates were replaced by Legal Notice No. 82 of 2012.
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MARITIME BOUNDARIES	Jan 1983	Agreement		Maritime boundary (EEZ) agreement with France (New Caledonia, Wallis and Futuna) signed; EIF Aug 1984.
	Nov 1990	Codicil		Codicil modifying above agreement signed and EIF.
LOS CONVENTION	Dec 1982			Signed and ratified Convention, with Declaration regarding dispute resolution.
	Jul 1994			Signed Part XI Agreement.
	Jul 1995			Ratified Part XI Agreement.